

## **REMARKS**

### **Claim Amendments**

Claims 9-11 are pending in the instant application. Claim 9 has been amended herein to correct minor typographical errors. No new matter has been added.

### **Restriction/Election**

The Office Action alleges that the claims recite six (6) patentably distinct species. In an effort to solely expedite prosecution, Applicants elect a single species from the following groups (as presented in the Office Action):

- a) Y: a non-natural pyrimidine nucleoside;
- b) Z: guanosine;
- c) X1: a naturally occurring nucleoside;
- d) X2: a naturally occurring nucleoside;
- e) X3: a naturally occurring nucleoside; and
- f) X4: an immunostimulatory moiety, wherein the immunostimulatory moiety is methylphosphonate.

## **CONCLUSION**

If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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